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Dear Colleagues,

With the society meeting fast approaching, I thought this would be an appropriate time to provide a very brief update on the progress of the Senior Review.

Those of you attending the meeting will note that we have cancelled our special session dedicated to a discussion of the report, sliding it to the winter meeting. This is because the committee is still deliberating its recommendations, having had another face to face meeting in early April. We do not have a definite schedule for the delivery of the report, though I suspect it will be measured in terms of a few weeks.

While we are all (the committee perhaps most of all!) anxious to get this stage behind us, I ask for patience from everyone as we have, from the beginning, assured the committee of the time necessary to produce a quality product that they can stand behind. I know this is exactly what is occupying their attention at present.

I will provide an update with a more definite schedule as soon as I can.

Wayne

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